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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Bernard DUJON et al.)
Serial Number: 09/492,697) Group Art Unit: 1633
Filed: January 27, 2000) Examiner: KAUSHAL, S.

For: NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE ENCODING
THE ENZYME I-SCEI AND THE USES THEREOF

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

In a restriction requirement dated February 12, 2001, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the claims of Group I (claims 23-37), Group II (claims 23-34, 36, and 37), Group III (claims 23-34, 36, and 37), Group IV (claims 23-34, 36, and 37), Group V (claims 23-37), Group VI (claims 23-34, 36, and 37), Group VII (claims 23-34, 36, and 37), Group VIII (claims 23-34, 36, and 37), Group IX (claims 38-43), Group X (claims 38-42), Group XI (claims 38-42), and Group XII (claims 38-42). Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I (claims 23-37), which have been replaced by new claims 43-58. Claims 43-58 read on the elected invention.

Please amend this application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 23, 25-30, and 32-37.

Please add the following new claims:

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